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	First Inventor <b>Hiroshi Akita</b>	
	Title	<b>PROTON CONDUCTIVE SOLID POLYMER ELECTROLYTE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME</b>
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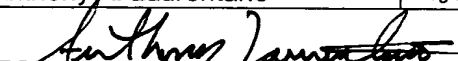
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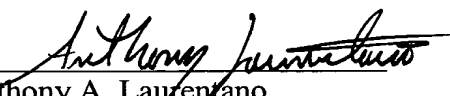
In support of this claim, a certified copy of the said original foreign application is filed herewith.

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